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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended). A game comprising:

- 5 (a) a substantially flat longitudinal playing surface having two ends, the playing surface suitable for supporting one or more players of the game standing on the playing surface;
- (b) a marker, placed at one end of the playing surface, behind which a player pitches or bowls a game ball;
- (c) a scoring goal, placed at the end of the playing surface opposite the marker, the scoring goal having
- 10 an outer scoring area having a perimeter and located on the playing surface,
- an inner scoring area having a perimeter in which a ball may come to rest and located on the playing surface at least partially within the perimeter of the outer scoring area,
- 15 a game pole inserted into the playing surface within the perimeter of the outer scoring area, and
- a ball for placing on top of the game pole; and
- (d) at least two game balls for pitching or bowling at the scoring goal.

20 Claim 2 (original). The game according to claim 1 additionally including a scoreboard.

Claim 3 (currently amended). A game comprising:

- 25 (a) a substantially flat longitudinal playing surface having two ends, the playing surface suitable for supporting one or more players of the game standing on the playing surface;
- (b) a marker, placed at one end of the playing surface;
- (c) a scoring goal, placed at the end of the playing surface opposite the marker, the scoring goal having

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at least three outer poles inserted into the playing surface forming
an outer scoring area,

at least three inner poles inserted into the playing surface forming
an inner scoring area located within the area of the outer scoring area,

5 a game pole inserted into the playing surface within the area of the
outer scoring area, and

a ball for placing on top of the game pole; and

(d) at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the scoring goal.

10 Claim 4 (original). The game of claim 3, wherein the game balls include,

(a) a first set of at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the
scoring goal, each ball having a different color; and

(b) a second set of at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the
scoring goal, each ball having a marking of a different color corresponding to the
15 different colors of the first set of game balls.

Claim 5 (currently amended). A game comprising:

a substantially flat longitudinal playing surface having two ends, the playing
surface suitable for supporting one or more players of the game standing
20 on the playing surface;

a marker, placed at one end of the playing surface;

a scoring goal, placed at the end of the playing surface opposite the marker, the
scoring goal having

(a) four outer poles inserted into the playing surface forming an outer
square having a perimeter and center point,
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(b) an outer boundary formed by the four outer poles,

(c) four inner poles inserted into the playing surface forming an inner
square having a center point in common with the outer square and a perimeter
smaller than the perimeter of the outer square,

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- (d) an inner boundary formed by the four inner poles;
 - (e) a game pole inserted into the playing surface at the center point of the outer square and the inner square[;], and
 - (f) a ball for placing on top of the game pole; and
- 5 at least two game balls for pitching or rolling at the scoring goal.

Claim 6 (original). The game of claim 5 additionally including a line attached to the four outer poles to form the outer boundary and a line attached to the four inner poles to form an inner boundary.

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Claim 7 (original). The game of claim 5 additionally including a line attached to the four outer poles to form the outer boundary and a line attached to the four inner poles to form an inner boundary.

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